

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 for the
Southern District of Texas

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United States of America)

Tomas HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo)
 YOB: 1963 Citizenship: MX)

David J. Bradley, Clerk

Case No. *AC-18-2538-M*

Defendant(s)

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of December 11, 2018 in the county of Hidalgo in the
Southern District of Texas, the defendant(s) violated:

Code Section

Offense Description

21 U.S.C. § 841	Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine
21 U.S.C. § 952	Illegal Importation of Cocaine

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

On December 11, 2018, Tomas HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo was detained attempting to enter the United States through the Progreso, Texas Port of Entry with approximately 22.54 kilograms of cocaine in the tractor-trailer he was driving.

SEE ATTACHMENT "A"

✓ Continued on the attached sheet.

Approved by David A. Lindemann
JJ *12/12/18*

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.

Date: 12/12/2018 8:37 am

JJF
Complainant's signature

Juan J. Flores, Jr. HSI, Special Agent
Printed name and title

Peter E. Ormsby
Judge's signature

City and state: McAllen, Texas

U.S. Magistrate Judge Peter Ormsby
Printed name and title

Attachment "A"

On December 11, 2018, a tractor-trailer driven by Tomas HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo made entry at the Progreso, Texas Port of Entry through the import lot. HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo vehicle was selected for post primary inspection by Customs and Border Protection Officer (CBPO) V. Martinez. In secondary inspection, the assistance of CBPO J. Salinas and his Narcotics Detection Dog (NDD) was requested and the NDD alerted to the kingin area of the trailer. Further physical inspection of the vehicle revealed a total of 20 packages concealed in the kingpin area of the trailer in a false compartment. The 20 packages weighed approximately 22.54 kilograms and field tested positive for properties of cocaine.

Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Special Agents (SA) were advised of the situation. SA's responded to the Progreso, Texas Port of Entry to interview HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo. HSI SA's read HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo his Miranda rights as witnessed by a CBPO. HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo waived his rights in writing and elected to speak to the HSI SA's. HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo admitted knowledge of the illegal narcotics in the tractor-trailer he was driving. He stated he was hired to cross the illegal narcotics from Mexico to the Rio Grande Valley area. HERNANDEZ-Jaramillo stated he was going to be paid \$2000 for his work once he delivered the trailer. According to HERNANDEZ stated he knew there were illegal drugs in the tractor-trailer, he just didn't know what type.